



Meeting the Subject Matter Requirement

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Q1. Does the CSET waiver before daily, whole class student teaching continue beyond Summer 2020? So, in to Fall and Winter 2021, Spring 2021? Since Commission deferred SMR for one year do students need to complete any forms through CTC for this?

A1. The Commission did not defer the subject matter requirement. The Commission waived Precondition 6 for General Education candidates and Precondition 3 for Education Specialist candidates. These Preconditions require a candidate to satisfy the Subject Matter Requirement prior to beginning daily, whole class instruction. The Commission action allows current candidates and enrolling candidates to begin student teaching prior to meeting subject matter for the 2020-21 year. For the CSET waiver prior to student teaching, the Commission does not need to be notified. The candidate will still need to meet the subject matter requirement prior to being recommended for the preliminary credential.

Q2. With the Executive Order, can intern programs enroll individuals who have not satisfied subject matter?

A2. Yes. The Executive Order suspends the requirement that interns satisfy subject matter prior to being recommended for the Intern Credential. The suspension of this requirement ends on August 31, 2020. The intern candidate will still need to meet the subject matter requirement prior to being recommended for the preliminary credential.

Q3. Can an individual on a Short-Term Staff Permit (STSP) or Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) become an intern without meeting subject matter?

A3. An individual holding a STSP or PIP is authorized to teach even though the teacher preparation requirements for the credential have not been met. With the Executive Order, an individual may enroll in and be an intern teacher even though subject matter has not been met as long as the Intern Credential is applied for by August 31, 2020. The individual on a STSP or PIP would no longer need to teach on the STSP or PIP once the Intern Credential has been processed since the Intern Credential authorizes the individual to teach.